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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Hiroyuki Noguchi, et al.

Serial No.: 10/689,401

Group Art Unit: 1725

Filed: October 21, 2003

Examiner: Len Tran

For: METHOD OF CASTING ALUMINUM OR ALUMINUM ALLOY

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 24, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. No new matter has been added.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.